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TO: ALL ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURERS, HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS, MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS, HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL SERVICE CORPORATIONS & OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: ARKANSAS HEALTHCARE TRANSPARENCY INITIATIVE, DATA SUBMISSION GUIDE MODIFICATION

DATE: AUGUST 3, 2018

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Please find available via electronic publication by the Arkansas Insurance Department (“AID”), a revised version of the Data Submission Guide (“DSG”) for the Arkansas Healthcare Transparency Initiative (“Transparency Initiative”) at www.insurance.arkansas.gov and www.arkansasapcd.net.

AID is providing for public comment a proposed revision to the DSG for the Transparency Initiative. Proposed revisions to the DSG include:

- New fields for pharmacy and dental claims;
- A new section regarding Medicaid supplemental payments;
- Clarification of definitions;
- Validation processes for claims versioning;
- Requirements to ensure consistent format, values, and length of key member/subscriber data elements across all file types;
- Exception request carry-over requirements;
- Provider name placement specifications; and
- Other technical updates including responses to frequently asked questions.

Material revisions of the DSG are governed by AID Rule 100, promulgated pursuant to the authority granted in Ark. Code Ann. § 23-61-901, et seq. and other applicable laws or rules. Pursuant to AID Rule 100, Section 7B, notice is hereby given that public comment will be accepted for 30 days on material revisions to the DSG beginning August 3, 2018. You may use arapcd@uams.edu or insurance.hirr@arkansas.gov to submit comments.

AID and the Arkansas Center for Health Improvement, the administrator of the Transparency Initiative’s all-payer claims database, will review comments with the Transparency Initiative’s Board and the Commissioner prior to issuing a revised DSG. AID has posted a revised version of the DSG at www.insurance.arkansas.gov. A revised DSG is also available at www.arkansasapcd.net. The revised

DSG will be effective for data files to be submitted not less than 120 days after the posting of the final revised version of the DSG on the AID website.

All interested persons are encouraged to make comments, statements or opinions to AID and/or ACHI. Direct your inquiries to the Regulatory Health Link Division/Rate Review at (501) 683-3146 or the Arkansas Center for Health improvement at (501) 526-2244.



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